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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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Dear Senator Boren:

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

# Congressional

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## LETTER REPORT

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Senator	David Boren	BC

CONSTITUENT'S NAME	SUBJECT
several	inq. comments on PR Docket 92-235

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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3601

February 23, 1993

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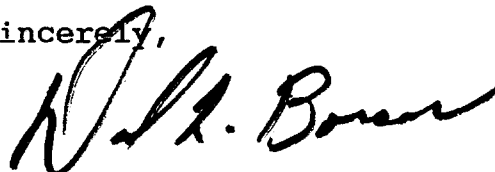
Dear Ms. Solheim:

A number of radio-controlled model enthusiasts in Oklahoma have contacted me with their concerns about PR Docket 92-235. Should this rule change be adopted, they believe it will severely hamper their ability to enjoy their hobby.

Since the FCC's comment period for this proposed rule change will soon expire, I would appreciate your full consideration of the issues raised in the enclosed correspondences and include their views in your report.

Thank you for giving your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



David L. Boren  
United States Senator

DLB/mc

February 12, 1993

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I am retired and derive many hours of pleasure from building and flying radio controlled model airplanes and gliders. I am active in our local R.C. club of 21 members. We have an excellent safety record; one that would be seriously jeopardized with this new ruling. I personally own five radios, two that have been 91' updated. Their value is about \$900.00 and ~~they would be rendered useless, or at the very least, extremely unsafe to use.~~

February 8, 1993

The Honorable David L. Boren Jr.  
453 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington DC 20510-3601

SENATE BUREAU  
FEB 12 1993  
00 FEB 13 PM 4:25

Dear Senator Boren:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active in two Tulsa, Oklahoma clubs whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operation. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference caused the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,



Gary W. Fincher, DDS

February 17, 1993

The Honorable David Boren  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

SENATOR BOREN  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

00 FEB 22 PM 1:05

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Duncan". The signature is fluid and written in dark ink.

David Duncan  
Enid, OK

3016 Raintree Road  
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(405) 751-4077

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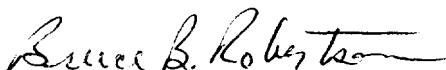
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Bruce B. Robertson